LINCOLN SENSE

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RECENT BUYING AD

Even cicrculated cents are showing increased buying prices and interest.

LINCOLN CENT - ROLLS
No Culls, Singles Prorated on scarcer date rolls. Ship 1-300 rolls of each

1909-P	30.00	1922-D		1943-D	6.25
'09 VDB	112.50	AG/G	2.50	1943-S	8.00
1910-P	3.00	'32-P, D	22.50	'47-PDS	1.50
1911-P	5.50	1933-P	22.50	'49-PDS	1.50
1912-P	30.00	1934-P, D	2.50	'50-PDS	1.50
1913-P	12.00	'38-P, D, S	2.50	'51-PDS	1.50
1914-P	9.00	'40-PDS	1.50	'54-PDS	1.50
1915-P, D	40.00	'42-PDS	1.50		
1922-D G+	4.50	1943-P	4.25		

Solid date rolls in the Teens $2.25
Solid date rolls in the Twenties $2.00
Solid date rolls in the Thirties $1.50
S Mint Wheats $1.40
Other Wheat Cents .90
Solid date rolls Wheats .90

Member Mike Batkin sends us a current Bowers & Merena price list showing the very strong prices of Lincoln Cents. Special note is for the 1943S PCGS MS68 for a lofty $1395. We also note a huge increase in the number of MS66RD 1954S and 1955S cents--retailing for $35-45 each (in rolls selling for about 50 cents each). Recent auction results also show strong increases in MS65-67 Lincolns.

1909-S V.D.B. VF-25. Medium brown and choice, with glossy surfaces and few marks for the grade. A charming specimen of this coveted rarity. 575

1909-S V.D.B. VF-20 (ANACS). Nice light brown with golden highlights. The letters V.D.B. are well struck and bold and this piece is a splendid specimen overall, a nice representative of the VF-20 grade. 545

Superb Proof 1909 Lincoln Cent Matte Proof-66 RD

1909 Lincoln. Matte Proof-66 RD (PCGS). Attractive Matte Proof surfaces. Very difficult to find at this grade level and color 2,695

1909-S Lincoln. MS-64 RB (PCGS). Lustrous red and brown. Mintmark leans sharply to the right--an interesting feature (at no extra cost!). 239

1911-D MS-65 RD (NGC). Blazing red surfaces. A gorgeous coin. Reverse die aligned 150° (instead of the normal 180°). A *find* for the specialist who has been seeking a high-quality specimen .. 995

1911-D MS-64 RD (NGC). Brilliant red. Quite elusive in this grade, and generally found on the market one coin at a time. 595

1911-D AU-53. 72

1913 Matte Proof-66 RB (NGC). Attractive red and brown reflective surfaces. 995

Brilliant Gem 1913-S Cent

1913-S MS-65 RD (PCGS). Brilliant reddish-orange. Scarce at this grade level. 3,550

1914 AU-50. 29

Key Date 1914-D Lincoln 1¢ Rarity

1914-D MS-65 RB (NGC). Fully lustrous and nearly fully red. A satiny gem example of *the* key date to the Lincoln cent series, at least where gem quality is concerned. The much heralded 1909-S V.D.B. Lincoln cent rarity takes a back seat to the present date where gem specimens are concerned. Many people put aside examples of the 1909-S V.D.B. issue as the first of its kind. By 1914, however, the novelty of the new type had worn off, and only a very few collectors had the foresight to

1915 Matte Proof Cent Rarity

1915 Matte Proof-66 RB (PCGS). Impressive mint color faded to light orange and rose to visual appealing effect. Very rare in this grade--or even close to it! A *find* for the connoisseur and specialist and a lovely addition to any collection. 2,895

1915-D AU-50. 39

1916-S MS-65 BN (NGC). Choice chocolate brown with much red and an excellent full strike. A supremely attractive specimen of this issue, which is nearly impossible to find this fine. 995

1918 MS-63 RB. Lustrous red and brown. 37

1918 MS-60 BN. Lustrous brown. 14

1921 MS-65 RD (PCGS). Lustrous red. 185

Gem Uncirculated 1921-S Cent

1921-S MS-65 RB (NGC). A highly pleasing and highly lustrous example of this scarce and popular branch mint issue. The bright (and nearly fully red) surfaces exhibit a pleasing woodgrain effect that is enticing in its appeal. A beauty for the assigned grade, nicely struck and visually appealing. 1,545

1922 No D. VF-35. One of the most desired of all Lincoln cent varieties, and one of the most curious. 975

High Grade 1922 "Plain" Cent

1922 No D. EF-45 (PCGS). Smooth chocolate brown. 1,995

1922 No D. VF-20 (PCGS). Strong reverse with a dark brown obverse. 695

1925 MS-66 RD (PCGS). Full mint color and exceptional lustre. Not rare but certainly splendid in appearance. 215

1925 MS-65 RD (PCGS). Fully red and lustrous. ... 99

1925-D MS-64 RD (PCGS). Well struck attractive red surfaces. A splendid coin that eclipses in quality some MS-65 coins we've seen! 495

1926-D MS-64 RD (PCGS). Lustrous red surfaces. A very difficult coin to locate in full red. 495

1927-D MS-64 RD (PCGS). Flashy red. 350

1929 MS-66 RD (NGC). Brilliant and beautiful. .. 215

1929 MS-66 RD (PCGS). Brilliant. 215

1930 MS-66 RD (PCGS). Brilliant. 99

1935 MS-66 RD (PCGS). Brilliant. 65

1935-D MS-66 RD (PCGS). Brilliant red. We just purchased a small group of these and offer them while they last, each 59

1935-S MS-66 RD (PCGS). Brilliant. 119

1935-S MS-66 RD (NGC). Vibrant red. 99

1935-S MS-66 RD (PCGS). Brilliant red. Only three pieces graded higher by PCGS. (MS-67). 119

1937-D MS-66 RD (PCGS). Brilliant red. 39

1937-S MS-67 RD (PCGS). Brilliant red. 145

1937-S MS-66 RD (PCGS). Brilliant red. 39

1938-D MS-67 RD (PCGS). Brilliant red. 129

1938-S MS-67 RD (PCGS). Brilliant red. None graded higher by PCGS. 119

1938-S MS-66 RD (PCGS). Brilliant red. 36

1939 MS-66 RD (PCGS). Brilliant red. We have recently purchased a truly marvelous holding of superb gem Lincoln cents of the 1930s and 1940s--coins which are available easily enough in lower grades but which in the superb quality offered here can be called elusive, scarce, or in some instances even rare. If quality is your forte, avail yourself of what we offer--as the pieces certainly will not last long! 32

1940 MS-66 RD (PCGS). Brilliant red. 32

1940-D MS-66 RD (PCGS). Brilliant red. 32

1941 MS-66 RD (PCGS). 32

1942-S MS-66 RD (PCGS). 59

1943 Steel. MS-67 (PCGS). 55

1943 Steel. MS-66 (PCGS). 35

1943-D Steel. MS-66. (PCGS). 39

1943-S Steel. MS-68 (PCGS). Razor sharp strike with blazing silver surfaces. None graded higher. Wow! Who would have ever thought that a 1943-S steel cent could have such a high market price? .. 1,395

1943-S Steel. MS-67 (PCGS). 79

1943-S Steel. MS-66 (PCGS). 39

1945-D MS-67 RD (PCGS). Brilliant red. None graded higher by PCGS. 85

1949-S MS-66 RD (PCGS). Brilliant red. 39

1953 Proof-66 Cameo (PCGS). Brilliant. 395

1954 Proof-68 RD (PCGS). Brilliant. 295

1954 Proof-67 RD (PCGS). Brilliant. 69

1954-S MS-66 RD (PCGS). Brilliant. 35

1955 Proof-67 Cameo (PCGS). Brilliant. 295

1955 Proof-67 RD (PCGS). Brilliant. 59

1955 MS-66 RD (PCGS). Brilliant. 42

1955-S MS-66 RD (PCGS). Brilliant. 42

1959-D MS-66 RD (PCGS). Brilliant. 35

1960 Small Date Proof-67 RD (PCGS). 85

1962 Proof-68 Deep Cameo (PCGS). Brilliant. Only two graded higher by PCGS. 299

1964 Proof 69 RD (PCGS). Brilliant red with a Cameo obverse. 59

1964 Proof-68 Deep Cameo (PCGS). Brilliant. 195

1964 Proof-68 RD (PCGS). Brilliant red with Cameo obverse. 39

1966 SMS. MS-67 RD (PCGS). 49

1967 SMS. MS-67 RD (PCGS). 49

1972 Doubled Die. MS-66 RD (PCGS). Brilliant red. A very popular scarcity from our own time. These have been excellent sellers for us ever since the year they were first discovered. 675

1972-D Doubled Die. MS-63 RD. Brilliant. 269

1972-D Doubled Die. MS-62 RD. Brilliant. 249

1995 Doubled Die MS-66 RD (ANACS). 29

Mail Bid Sale #108. Closing date for bids is May 27, 2001. Please mail your bid sheets in early.

Lot Description

Long Beach Consignment

1 Three books: ANA Offciial Grading Guide 2nd edition, like new, Standard Guide to the Lincoln Cent 2nd edition, new, and 3rd edition new.
2 1909 VDB ANACS MS66RD, very sharp
3 1909 VDB ANACS MS67RD, pristine gem
4 *1909S VDB ANACS AU55, traces of red in the recesses, mostly R/B. The Key.*
5 1910MS66RD, a match to lot #2
6 1936 MS66RD, gem
7 1955S two rolls (50+34), all MS65RD (84 pcs)
8 24 roll lot: Circ rolls: 1944, 1944S, 1945S (45 pcs), 1951D, 1952D, 1952S (2 rolls), 1953D, 1953S (2 rolls), 1954S, BU rolls: 1960D small, 1960D lg, 1961D, 1962D (2 rolls), 1963 (2 rolls), 1963D (3 rolls), 1964, 1964D.
9 8 rolls shotgun wrapped 1974S all BU
10 1934D MS65RD, edge toning
11 1955S "BIE" variety, 4 choice MS65RD
12 2000S PCGS PR68DCAM

Idaho Consignment

13 1909VDB MS65RD
14 1927 MS64RB, sharp details
15 1930 MS65RD
16 1930 MS66RD, gem
17 1930S MS65RD bright
18 1932D MS65RD
19 1934D MS65RD cherry red
20 1936D MS66RD
21 1936 MS66RD golden gem
22 1937D MS65RD bright mint red
23 1939D MS65RD

Minnesota Consignment

24 1909 VDB MS65RB. sharp, mostly red
25 1930 MS66RD
26 1934 MS65RD
27 1934D MS65RD
28 1935P,D,S Matched MS65RD trio
29 1935S MS65RD, light toning
30 1936P,D,S Matched MS65RD trio
31 1937S Four matched MS65RD

....continued

Mail Bid Sale #108 continued...

Lot Description

32 1937P,D,S Matched MS65RD trio
33 1938P,D,S Matched MS65RD trio
34 1939P,D,S Matched MS65RD trio
35 1941P,D,S Matched MS65RD trio
36 1941 Matched foursome MS65RD
37 1942P,D,S Matched trio MS65RD
38 1943D Matched foursome MS65 steelies
39 1943P,D,S Matched MS65 steelies
40 2000S PR69DCAM
41 BU set (51 pcs) 1941-1958 all Choice BU in a tube.

End of Mail Bid Sale #108. Mail your bids in early.

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Mail Bid Sales

We appreciate all those wbo support SLCC mail bid sales—the consignors and the bidders. The results are helpful financially and act as a draw for new members. A few reminders are needed to help current bidders as well as newer bidders.

1. When the mail bid sale closes, invoices are sent out within 48 hours to all successful bidders. Unsuccessful bidders are NOT notified.
2. Payment MUST be made promptly—certainly within 5 days of receipt.
3. No returns will be accepted for late payments.
4. Bidders should examine their lots upon receipt. If not satisfied for any reason (except slabbed coins which have a third party grading), the coins may be returned within 5 days of receipt for a full refund.
5. Returned coins should include the original holder and envelope showing the mail bid sale and the lot number.
6. Consignors will be paid by the 15th of the month following the close of the sale or 45 days whichever is sooner.
7. Shipping will be charged to consignors for returned lots or unsold lots.
8. Lots with reserves will be charged 5% of the reserve price if not sold.
9. SLCC reserves the right to reject any lot or retain excess or duplicate lots for future sales. SLCC also reserves the right to call the grade as seen proper even if the holder has some other designation. Slabbed coins are identified with grade assigned though SLCC comments may add to the specific conditions of color and surface features.
10. Consignments may consist of a single coin or a whole collection. Coins must be carefully identified and listed on an invoice accompanying the consignment. No loose coins accepted. Partial albums, rolls (full or partial) 2x2s, and mounted sets accepotable.

To consign coins, request a consignment form.

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Auction Prices

The next eight pages are from the Benson Collection sale on Febnruary 18, 2001. The prices realized are penned in next to each lot. In cases where the final price was way beyond the estimate, it is marked with an exclamation point (!). Ever since the fabulous FUN'98 sale in which ten pages of a catalog were devoted to small cents, some major collections of small cents have hit the auction block. And prices for MS65RD and better coins have gone through the roof. Such coins rarely appear on dealer's tables and a few show up on fixed price lists--also at very strong prices (see P.1).

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Prices Realized Mail Bid Sale #107 (Closed March 27, 2001)

Lot	Bid	Lot	Bid	Lot	Bid	Lot	Bid	Lot	Bid	Lot	Bid	Lot	Bid
1	72.	11	17.	21	31.	31	20.	36	10.	40	8.	44	37.
2	61.	12	10.	22	32.	32	45.	37	8.t	41	12.	45	28.
3	20.	13	35.	23	16.	33	15.	38	5.	42	15.		
4	15.	14	5.50	24	14.	34	8.t	39	33.	43	6.		
5	4.	15	51.	25	3.	35	20.						
6	10.	16	12.	25A	26.								
7	9.	17	750.	25B	11.								
8	50.	18	24.	25C	9.								
9	21.	19	45.	26	7.								
10	11.	20	28.	27	13.								

t = tie bid
No late bids.

28 30.
29 52.
30 4.

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Membership Report

The following have joined since the last issue:

Gregory Wilson CA R1320
Michael F. Kurtis AZ R1331
Arthur Jones AZ R1332

Welcome and enjoy.

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SLCC Meets at Long Beach

Next open meeting Saturday June 2, 2001 at 11am in Room 102C. All welcome. Show and tell. More cherry-pickers choices shown.

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Fall Long Beach Show October 4-7, 2001

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Superb Gem Proof 1909 VDB

Enlarged

1351 **1909. VDB. PCGS graded Proof 66 Red.** One of the very finest proofs graded of this important one year type coin, only 9 have been graded as such by PCGS, with just 2 coins graded higher. The surfaces are pristine, and boast full flaming fiery red color throughout, no signs of spotting or age, only the slightest mellowing of the original color. Only 420 were struck in Proof, and precious few even qualify as gems, much less as superb gems as offered here. If you demand a pinnacle coin for your portfolio, then see if this piece suits your needs. Color photo.
Estimated Value $20,000-UP

1352 **1909. VDB. MS-65 Red and Brown.** This coin is the first from a set purchased in 1944 from Ira S. Reed, the entire set (1909 to 1944) cost $90 at the time. We note the usual yellow luster with rose at the periphery. Sharply impressed by the dies.
Estimated Value $10-15

1909-S VDB Cent Superb Gem MS-66 Red

Enlarged

5,000

1353 **1909-S. VDB. PCGS graded MS-66 Red.** One of only 94 graded this high, with just 8 graded higher, which makes this one of the very best in existence. Blazing red on the obverse and reverse, with only a hint of mellowing. Examination of the surfaces finds only the minutest contact marks, and we wouldn't be surprised if this coin was resubmitted for a higher grade, which it could get. Only 484,000 struck, many were saved, but precious few can approach the quality offered here today.
Estimated Value $3,000-UP

1,550

54 **1909-S. VDB. PCGS graded MS-64 Red.** The obverse of this key date coin is nearly a full gem, while the reverse has some streaky toning ranging from yellow to red, as often seen on these. Sharply impressed, and a nice coin to represent the key date Lincoln issue. Only 484,000 were struck, but many were saved as the first of their type. A trace of an old fingerprint on the obverse.

On the original models for this coin, Victor David Brenner had spelled out his name. Mint officials rejected this, so Brenner placed just his initials, VDB on the lower reverse. The White House quickly approved this, and forced the Mint to start production immediately. Naturally, the boldness of the initials worried officials, and soon the press was against the audacious signature. To attempt a compromise, the initial "B" was suggested for Lincoln's shoulder, but Mint Engraver Barber (who normally used his initial "B" to sign coins), vehemently rejected this. Soon Brenner's initials were dropped altogether, until Barber's death in late 1917. Starting in 1918, a small VDB was restored on the lower part of Lincoln's shoulder, where they remain to this day.

Once the public realized that coins with the VDB would be replaced due to the outcry of the bold initials on the lower reverse, many were hoarded. Hence, these have always been popular with collectors, and they have always found feverish demand.
Estimated Value $1,100-1,300

1200

1355 **1909-S. VDB. MS-64 Red and Brown.** The surfaces hav luster and are mostly red fading to brown. Sharply struc with clean surfaces, even on Lincoln's beard. With a h toning around the edge. Always popular.
Estimated Value $1,200-

800

1356 **1909-S. VDB. PCGS graded MS-63 Red and Brown.** at the top and bottom of the obverse, a bit streaky reverse. Always popular with date collectors.
Estimated Value $60

1357 **1909-S. VDB. VF-30.** Only 484,000 were produced, ar one is nice and original. Lovely color and surfaces circulated grade.
450
Estimated Value $40

650

1358 **1909. PCGS graded Proof 64 Red.** Nearly a gem wi original mint red, although there are traces of a fingerp the left obverse field. The strike is especially bold, as r for a proof issue. Scarce this nice.
Estimated Value $67

1359 **1909-S. NGC graded MS-66 Red and Brown.** A super with saddle mint color and only a tiny speck or two reverse.
340
Estimated Value $35

1360 **1909-S. MS-63 Red.** With a few very minor fly specks reverse. Nice color and surfaces, and always in demand.
Estimated Value ..... 270 .. $15

340

1361 **1909-S. S over horizontal S. MS-65 Red.** This one has color, and may have been carefully cleaned in the past, red color does not look original. The rims are unusual to have an irregular shape. Free of spots and other detra take a look and see what you think.
Estimated Value $35

1362 **1909-S. S over horizontal S. MS-65 Red.** Blazi throughout and well preserved with clean fields and d There appears to be a fingerprint on the lower obver upper reverse, but it is minor. Popular mintmark error.
Estimated Value ..... 270 ..... $3

1909-S. S over horizontal S. PCGS graded MS-65 Red and Brown. One of the very best of this variety, certainly in the top 75 known. Golden red in color, and boldly struck. The error mintmark is clearly visible with a glass. An important coin for the specialist.
Estimated Value $300-400

1910. PCGS graded MS-65 Red. A very fresh example of this date. The luster glows forth from the fields, and the color ranges from rose and yellow to bright red. Sharply struck and appealing.
Estimated Value $75-100

1910-S. MS-65 Red. Shiny and bright red throughout, this looks like it was minted today. Sharp on all devices and seldom found this nice.
Estimated Value $300-400

1910-S. PCGS graded MS-64 Red. With just a hint of toning starting to form, and possibly an old fingerprint faintly visible. Sharp and scarce in this grade. We can scarcely find a mark on this coin to account for the conservative grade.
Estimated Value $100-140

1911. PCGS graded MS-64 Red. Gleaming sunset and rose colors on both sides, with some minute darker specks included. Far better than the grade would imply.
Estimated Value $40-50

1911-D. PCGS graded MS-64 Red. A scarce date, even in this moderate grade. Excellent surfaces that show no detracting marks, and the color is especially bright. Nearly a grade better.
Estimated Value $350-450

1911-S. PCGS graded MS-65 Red and Brown. This one is a bit dull in color, but does have rose and sunset hues around the edges. Boldly struck, and well worth a close look.
Estimated Value $150-200

1911-S. MS-65 Red and Brown. This one may have been cleaned long ago, but now retoned with delicate rose tones and sunset golds. Another scarce early mint marked Lincoln in high grade.
Estimated Value $150-200

1912. MS-63 Red. Nice and red, with a couple of minor fingerprints on the obverse. Clean surfaces.
Estimated Value $30-50

1372 1912-D. PCGS graded MS-64 Red and Brown. Well struck with a partial wire rim on the upper obverse, and with choic surfaces. There is one tiny spot on the reverse, nestled up on th C of AMERICA. Satiny luster and with mellow original re color. An impressive coin for the moderate grade.
Estimated Value ..... $200-25(

1373 1912-S. MS-65 Red and Brown. Probably cleaned in th distant past as the color is a bit brassy. Nice luster remains, an the fields and surfaces show very few handling marks. Wel struck on the devices, save for minor weakness on the lowe portions of AM in AMERICA, which is opposite Lincoln' head. Spot-free and very appealing.
Estimated Value ..... $200-25(

1374 1913. PCGS graded MS-64 Red. Flashy original red in color and with only a few minor specks. We note some very mino disturbances around the extreme edge of the coin, visible or both sides. A very faint fingerprint remnant is noted on th reverse, and there is a minor toning spot on the left wheat ear.
Estimated Value ..... $65-8(

1375 1913-D. MS-66 Red and Brown. Satiny original luster an with sunset yellow colors. Sharply impressed and without th usual finger prints or spots. Examination with a glass fail to find more than the most trivial signs of contact from other coins. A outstanding example that will no doubt be recognized for it quality and market potential.
Estimated Value ..... $100-15(

1376 1913-S. PCGS graded MS-64 Red and Brown. A beautifu coin that boasts a lovely tan color over original red surfaces Hints of rose at the center, and well struck for this date. Free o the usual fingerprints or spots, making this coin especiall desirable. Don't miss it.
Estimated Value ..... $450-55(

1377 1914. PCGS graded MS-64 Red and Brown. Mostly red with streaky toning on the shoulder. Lovely rose color at th center. A couple of minor tick marks, one on the cheekbone o the President, the other at the central reverse.

1914-D. MS-63 Red and Brown. Mellow red in color with some brown toning starting to settle in. One mark on the R of LIBERTY, and with some minor scuffs on the high points of Lincoln. Rare and seldom offered in high grade. Sharply struck on the wheat ears.
Estimated Value $1,000-1,250

1914-D. MS-60 Red and Brown. Possibly cleaned a bit, now with much red showing and original luster. Well struck by the dies, with crisp wheat ears and good curls on Lincoln's beard. Minor scuffs on the high points of the devices.
Estimated Value $750-850

1914-S. MS-65 Red and Brown. Flashy red luster and well struck for the date, free of spots or other detriments. Rare, but overshadowed by its big brother the'14-D.
Estimated Value $2,000-2,500

914-S. PCGS graded MS-64 Red. Mellow original color on oth sides, with a small toned area on the lower left obverse. harply impressed at the centers, and minor weakness is noted n a few of the upper letters on the obverse. An impressive xample of this scarce date.
stimated Value $1,000-1,400

915. PCGS graded MS-64 Red. Sharply struck and very well reserved. The only complaint are tiny flecks of toning which re only visible with a glass, some on both sides.
stimated Value $100-125

915-D. PCGS graded MS-64 Red. An impressive example at boasts a bold strike throughout, and shows no weakness on ny of the devices or lettering. The color ranges from pinkish ose to sunset yellow hues, and no spots are worthy of note. linor handling marks on Lincoln from a higher grade.
stimated Value $115-135

1384 1915-S. PCGS graded MS-64 Red and Brown. This one is well struck and preserved, the only signs of weakness are on the right side, mostly on the edge of the right wheat ear. Lustrous and nearly a gem, with a few trivial flecks of toning visible with a glass. One of the better ones known of the date, certainly in the top 300.
Estimated Value $250-300

1385 1916. PCGS graded MS-65 Red and Brown. This coin is boldly struck and very well preserved. Nearly full red throughout, and worth a premium for its spot-free surfaces.
Estimated Value $50-75

1386 1916-D. PCGS graded MS-64 Red. Flashy and bright, with virtually complete original mint red on both sides. Examination will note a hint of peripheral toning starting to form. Sharp and original, and perfect for the date collector.
Estimated Value $150-175

1387 1916-S. NGC graded MS-65 Red and Brown. Mostly red on the obverse, with some toning on the reverse. Scarce in full gem condition.
Estimated Value $700-800

1388 1916-S. PCGS graded MS-64 Red. With a high degree of original red that shows faint mellowing on Lincoln. Crisply struck lettering and devices, San Francisco was trying to pull together and correct some earlier production problems from prior years which frequently resulted in poorly struck coins. A couple of faint marks on Lincoln's face, and a die crack leading to each wheat ear from the rim on the reverse.
Estimated Value $450-600

1389 1917. PCGS graded MS-64 Red and Brown. Full red on the obverse, with traces of a fingerprint on the right side, the reverse with an arc of peripheral toning on the upper portion. Sharp throughout and exceptional quality.
Estimated Value $30-40

1390 1917-D. MS-65 Red and Brown. Spot free and pleasing, although the color may not be original. Sharply struck throughout.
Estimated Value $40-50

1917-S. PCGS graded MS-64 Red and Brown. This one possesses the typical San Francisco weakness and is struck from worn dies. Rim crumbling is noted around the left obverse, and the peripheral lettering lacks crispness on the obverse. The reverse is better struck, with a fresher die apparently, and exhibits not weakness. Traces of an old fingerprint on the right obverse. Only a hint of toning on both sides, and highly desirable.
Estimated Value $150-175

1918. MS-64 Red. Golden to red in color and nice for the grade. The usual fingerprint fragment below LIBERTY.
Estimated Value $50-60

1918. Error, struck 25% off-center. PCGS graded AU-55. Struck 25% off-center towards 12:30 on the obverse, with a full date and excellent surfaces. Medium brown with some slight streaking in the toning. Pleasing and popular as an early Lincoln cent error.
Estimated Value $100-150

1918 MS-63 Red, 1938 PR-63 Red and 1942 PR-63 Red. Each is mint fresh and well preserved. Lot of 3 coins.
Estimated Value $60-70

1918-D. PCGS graded MS-64 Red and Brown. This one is sharp on the obverse, while the reverse has some weakness in the strike. Faded mint red and very pleasing, with a bit of toning around the upper reverse.
Estimated Value $150-200

1918-S. PCGS graded MS-64 Red. Blazing original red in color and with nary a mark to be found. Well struck for the date, with a touch of weakness on the last T of TRUST. One of 51 so graded, with just 14 graded higher in full Red, according to a recent PCGS Population Report. Scarce and desirable this nice.
Estimated Value $800-1,000

1919. PCGS graded MS-64 Red. A glorious example of this date, there is one small spot on the top of Lincoln's head, and some rose shades at the center of the reverse. Well struck throughout.
Estimated Value $30-40

1919-D. PCGS graded MS-64 Red and Brown. This scarce date boasts fiery red color with some toning on the upper obverse, the reverse retains full original red save for a light toning spot on the left wheat ear. Hard to find this nice, and very expensive any better.
Estimated Value $100-125

1399 **1919-S. MS-65.** Possibly cleaned as the color is a bit too pink and none of the usual surface specks are present. Well struck.
Estimated Value $50-6

1400 **1920. PCGS graded MS-64 Red.** This one has especially bright color on the obverse, the reverse a bit faded with an old fingerprint on the lower portion. Sharply impressed and scarce this nice.
Estimated Value $30-4

1401 **1920-D. MS-65 Red.** A coin that retains nearly full original red, but there is a small and unfortunate corrosion spot on the O of GOD. Struck from worn dies, as usual.
Estimated Value $100-12

1402 **1920-S. PCGS graded MS-64 Red.** Struck from worn dies with the mintmark and some other peripheral devices drawn a bit towards the edge (showing the metal flow from the striking pressure). Only 46 million struck and nearly impossible to find in full gem condition, as most are poorly struck and not this well preserved. Few marks can be located, even with a strong glass, and this could easily be a grade better.
Estimated Value $700-900

1403 **1921. PCGS graded MS-64 Red and Brown.** Lightly toned and quite lovely in appearance. There is a very thin scratch on Lincoln's bust. On the reverse, the planchet has some laminations which remain attached to the planchet.
Estimated Value $30-40

1404 **1921-S. PCGS graded MS-65 Red and Brown.** One of the finest graded of this scarce date, only 24 have been graded this high in Red and Brown, and only 13 graded as MS-65 Red. None have been graded higher. This one is greatly enhanced by a strong strike and delicate toning starting to form. Don't waste your time looking for a better one, they probably don't exist.
Estimated Value $225-275

1922-D. PCGS graded MS-65 Red. Only 60 so graded by PCGS, with just 9 graded higher in the Red category. Untoned and an early die state, without the usual signs of weakness that often plague these early dates. One of the nicest coins in this set.
Estimated Value $500-600

922. Plain. EF-45. This one has likely been expertly cleaned nd retoned as the surfaces show slight roughness, the color is medium brown and appears natural. No trace of the nintmark. This is the strong reverse variety, with strong wheat ars. One for a high grade circulated set.
stimated Value $900-1,100

922. Plain. VF-20. Strong reverse. A few nicks on the lower everse, but nicely preserved and scarce.
stimated Value $400-450

923. PCGS graded MS-65 Red. Spot free and an exceptional oin in every way. Blazing red color with a hint of toning.
stimated Value $160-200

923-S. PCGS graded MS-64 Red and Brown. One of the ey dates in the Lincoln series to find in gem, this one is rticularly hard to locate. Here is one that is very close to that ade, the surfaces are clean and show few signs of contact. We ote a minor toning streak on Lincoln's neck, but free of the ual fingerprints. Sharply struck for this mint, with full finition on the durum wheat ears, and with sharply defined ttering and devices. One minor die crack up from the rim to e left wheat ear stalk, and with several faint die file lines here the reverse was either lapped or otherwise carelessly epared for striking coins. Hints of streaky toning on the verse. Only 8,700,000 coined, of which only 25 qualify as ll gem according to PCGS, so bid accordingly on this near m specimen.
timated Value $300-350

23-S. MS-64 Red. This one has a couple of tiny spots on ncoln's face and in the field nearby. Faded red and beautiful.
timated Value $700-800

24. MS-64 Red. Bright and original red throughout, and well uck.
timated Value $60-75

1412 1924-D. PCGS graded MS-64 Red and Brown. Bright red on the obverse, the reverse with an even coat of toning. Sharply struck and pleasing for the grade assigned.
Estimated Value $250-300

1413 1924-S. MS-64 Red and Brown. This one has some minor surface discoloration on both sides, so inspection is mandatory. Well struck and this one retains most of its original mint color. A coin to be inspected to form the appropriate value.
Estimated Value $400-450

1414 1925. MS-64 Red. Rainbow greens and rose colors on both sides, and boldly impressed by the dies.
Estimated Value $40-50

1415 1925-D. PCGS graded MS-64 Red. With a hint of rose colors atop the blazing red luster. Sharply struck for the date, with well defined lettering.
Estimated Value $400-450

1416 1925-S. PCGS graded MS-64 Red. One of the key dates to find near gem condition, this one is quite close, as we're sure examination will confirm. The obverse is well struck, while the reverse shows some minor weakness in the peripheral lettering and devices. Some faint evidence of an obverse fingerprint.
Estimated Value $300-350

1417 1925-S. MS-64 Red. This one has about 80 percent faded mint red, with light brown starting to win out. A scarce date in this grade.
Estimated Value $300-350

1418 1926. MS-64 Red. If you love toned Lincolns, then take a peek at this coin. Vibrant magenta on the obverse, with hints of blue, similar on the reverse, with fiery sunset colors and darker hues at the periphery.
Estimated Value $20-30

1419 1926-D. PCGS graded MS-64 Red. Light rose luster on the obverse, a bit lighter on the reverse. A couple of specks are located on the reverse. An exceptional coin for the grade in every way.
Estimated Value $300-350

1926-S. PCGS graded MS-64 Red and Brown. A rarity in high grade, PCGS has only given out gem grades to a dozen coins, and this near gem would fit well in a high grade collection. This one is virtually full red in color, perhaps given the RB designation for the slight (and we mean *slight*) mellowing in the color. Unusually well struck for this date, with resounding crispness on the lettering, wheat ears and all other devices.
Estimated Value $750-850

1926-S. MS-64 Red. A sparkling gem that boasts full mint red and spot free surfaces. Slightly faded from full red, but very appealing. Even with a glass, few marks can be found to hurt its value.
Estimated Value $2,000-2,500

1927. PCGS graded MS-66 Red. Here is one of the best preserved Lincolns in this set. Blazing original red on the obverse, with a bit of rose toning on the reverse. Undiminished fields and devices, free of spots or other detriments, and of course, the devices are very well struck.
Estimated Value $150-200

1927-D. PCGS graded MS-64 Red. Boldly struck by the dies, and free of spots or other problems. One old fingerprint on the obbverse.
Esstimated Value $500-600

1927-S. PCGS graded MS-64 Red. One of the key dates to find in gem condition, this nearly gem coin should fit well in an advanced date set. Minor weakness in the strike, mostly on the wheat ears. Spot-free and well preserved.
Estimated Value $400-500

1928. MS-64 Red and Brown. Sharply struck by the dies, with streaky rose and gold toning on both sides.
Estimated Value $10-15

1928-D. PCGS graded MS-64 Red. Delicate red luster on both sides and sharply impressed. Scarce.
Estimated Value $100-125

1928-D. PCGS graded MS-64 Red. Blazing red and mint fresh, with traces of an old fingerprint on the obverse, and one trivial spot on the right side of the reverse.
Estimated Value $100-125

1428 1928-S. PCGS graded MS-65 Red. One of just 34 so graded this high, with only 3 graded higher by PCGS. This one boasts full flaming red color on the obverse and reverse, and no troublesome spots of any size. One hidden mark on the N of UNUM on the reverse. A rare date in full gem condition, so don't miss it. Boldly struck.
Estimated Value $1,150-1,350

1429 1929 to 1946. The Benson partial set of Lincolns. This is the remainder of the set of Lincolns from the Benson Collection, the earlier dates were sold as individual lots, and this shows how the coins were stored. The coins from 1929 to 1946 are mostly brilliant red uncirculated, with a couple of toned coins, like the 1930-S and 1935-D which may be slightly circulated. The coins are all mounted in National pages (3), which are themselves in excellent condition. It is apparent that these coins were put away by 1946 (when the collection stopped being formed) and placed in the bank where they were untouched for the next 54 years. Even the three steel cents are bright and fresh, and show no rust or typical problems so often encountered (although there are 2 1943-D coins, no 1943-S). The set stops with the 1946 P. An historic collection and one of the finest examples of proper coin storage over decades this office has seen. Lot of 47 coins.
Estimated Value $100-125

1430 1930-S (5 pieces). Each is PCGS graded MS-65 Red. A small group for a dealer to break up and bank some buck-er-oo's on the profit side. Lot of 5 coins.
Estimated Value $150-175

1431 1931-D. PCGS graded MS-65 Red. This one is still in an old style small PCGS holder, but we note the coin has started to tone with streaky brown on the obverse, and a bit on the reverse too.
Estimated Value $400-450

1432 1931-D. PCGS graded MS-64 Red and Brown. Blazing original red in color and sharply struck. There is a hint of rose toning starting to form. The devices are very sharp.
Estimated Value $70-90

1433 1931-S. PCGS graded MS-64 Red and Brown. This one is well struck and shows some original mint red around the periphery. A truly lovely cent in every way.
Estimated Value $135-150

1434 1936. Brilliant style proof. PCGS graded Proof 65 Red. Hazy fingerprint toning on both sides and a couple of very small specks are visible. A rare proof coin in this grade, only 90 so graded with 12 graded higher in the brilliant style.
Estimated Value $725-800

1435 1937. PCGS graded Proof 66 Red. An exceptional coin for the grade, free of spots, fingerprints or other problems. Untoned and worthy of a high grade type set.
Estimated Value $225-275

1938, 1939, 1940, 1941 and 1942 Proof 64 to 65. Most are Red, but the 1940 has a few specks. All are brilliant proof and most would easily qualify as gem. Seldom offered as a date run. Lot of 5 coins.
Estimated Value $150-200

1941. Struck on a thick planchet. NGC graded AU-55 Brown. Of course, the fact that this coin is on a thick planchet is hidden by the nature of the convenient, thick white plastic insert used by NGC. We must take their word for it, however. Perhaps a foreign planchet that was mixed into the Lincoln Cent planchet hopper, or some pre World War II forgotten experiment. Whatever planchet was used was the same diameter of a Lincoln cent, and this one has a wood grain streaky appearance on both sides. Error planchets of the World War II era have proven to be enormously popular with speculators, why not add this one to your collection today.
Estimated Value $100-UP

1955. Doubled die obverse. PCGS graded MS-64 Red and Brown. One of the better examples of this most popular Lincoln Cent error to come down to us, the surfaces show only minor signs of contact, including a faint tick on Abe's beard and one in the field above the date. From a technical standpoint, this is as nice as these come, to obtain a gem MS-65 in brown, red brown or red is virtually impossible, only 23 have been graded that high, with none graded higher by PCGS! Keep that in mind if you want a really nice one, this is where you should focus your collecting dollars. Mostly red and with excellent surfaces.
Estimated Value $2,000-UP

1955. Doubled die obverse. MS-64 Red. One of the most popular 20th century errors, the obverse die is sharply doubled on all the lettering and Lincoln's tie. Clean surfaces and well preserved.
Estimated Value $2,000-UP

1440 1964. Error, double struck 75% off-center and a 5% brockage. PCGS graded MS-64 Red and Brown. An amazing error coin that has spectacular surfaces and color. The first strike was slightly off-center, but the coin retains the full date, next it appears this piece was struck again on the obverse about 75 percent off-center towards 10:00 on the obverse, with another full date, on the reverse, another planchet was in the coining press, so it caused the reverse to expand outward distorting ONE. Last but not least, the coin was struck one last time, this time with a small brockage on the upper obverse towards 1:00 with a brockage, with parts of D ST of UNITED STATES visible there.
Remarkably the coin retains nearly full red color from the mint, and has been graded. A stunning error which any collector would be proud to own.
Estimated Value $200-300

1441 1965. Error, double struck 60% off-center and broadstruck. PCGS graded MS-64 Red and Brown. The first strike was about 5 to 10 percent off-center towards 9:00 on the obverse, the second strike is about 60 percent off center towards 8:00 on the obverse. Two full dates and broadstruck on the reverse. The second strike caused a sharp bend in the coin, and although it is certified by PCGS with an insert, it can not be encapsulated as it is too thick. Another exciting and spectacular error for the specialist.
Estimated Value $150-200

1442 1909 to 1938-D. Lincoln Cent collection. Mounted in a Joseph Oberwise cardboard holder, the coins grade from AG to Mint State. The 1909-S V.D.B. is a nice Fine grade, with good surfaces and color. A few have minor corrosion but overall a decent circulated set. Lot of 83 coins.
Estimated Value $500-600

1443 1909, 1909. VDB and 1931-S. All are Uncirculated, but have been recolored with rainbow yellow and red hues, somewhat attractive. A chemist's delight. Lot of 3 coins.
Estimated Value $50-75

1444 1909-S to 1914-D. A group of Lincolns. Includes 1909-S Lincoln, Good; 1910-S Very Good; 1910-S Fine; 1912-S Fine and 1914-D Poor. Lot of 5 coins.
Estimated Value $50-75

1445 1910-S (16 pieces), 1915-D (6 pieces) and 1915-S (13 pieces) of Lincolns. Grades range mostly from Good to Very Good, with a couple pushing up to Very Fine. Key dates all, and good to parcel out. Lot of 35 coins.
Estimated Value $175-200